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SOUTHERN, NORTHERN, & JOINT SOUTHEAST REGIONAL PLANNING TEAM MEETING

Wednesday, April 10, 2013 (9:00 a.m.)
NSRAA Board Room
NSRAA Office
1308 Sawmill Creek Road
Sitka, Alaska 99835

Juneau. . .The Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) announces the Joint, Northern, and Southern Southeast Regional Planning Teams spring 2013 meeting will be held at the above time and place. The Regional Planning Teams (RPT) consists of representatives of salmon fishing gear groups and ADF&G personnel. RPTs were established by the Commissioner of ADF&G for the purpose of development and amendment of comprehensive salmon plans; making recommendations concerning private non-profit hatchery permits and permit alteration requests (PARs); and making recommendations concerning the allocation of enhanced salmon throughout Southeast. This meeting is open to the public.

The Southern RPT will review a PAR from Southern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association to move the fall chum salmon broodstock program from Neets Bay Hatchery to Burnett Inlet Hatchery. The proposal would increase overall fall chum salmon production by six million eggs.

The Northern RPT will review three PARs: 1) a Northern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association proposal to add Medvejie Creek Hatchery coho salmon rearing sites to the Hidden Falls Hatchery permit (no increase in production); 2) a Sitka Sound Science Center (SSSC) proposal to increase chum salmon production from Sheldon Jackson Hatchery by two million eggs; 3) a Armstrong Keta-Inc. proposal to increase pink salmon production from Port Armstrong Hatchery by 50 million eggs and add Port Lucy as a remote release site.

The Joint RPT will: 1) review the current state of enhanced salmon allocation and make a recommendation to the commissioner which will include a methodology for calculating allocation value when using a tax assessment; and 2) finalize guidelines for letters of recommendation sent from the Joint RPT to the Alaska Board of Fisheries concerning proposals with allocation of enhanced salmon implications. The Joint RPT will also discuss the planned temporary water shut down at Whitman Lake Hatchery, the SSSC salmon straying study plan, a presentation on high seas production potential, and possibly additional hatchery topics.

Should you have special needs in order to participate in this meeting or for copies of the agenda or additional information, please contact Mr. Pryor (Garold.Pryor@alaska.gov).

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